

CITY OF YONKERS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION

YONKERS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

PARENTS/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

***DO NOT FORCE YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS, BUT SUPPORT THEIR DESIRES TO PLAY THEIR CHOSEN SPORT. CHILDREN ARE INVOLVED IN ORGANIZED SPORTS FOR THEIR ENJOYMENT. MAKE IT ENJOYABLE FOR THEM.**

***ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO PLAY BY THE RULES. REMEMBER, CHILDREN LEARN BEST BY EXAMPLE, SO APPLAUD THE GOOD PLAYS OF BOTH GAMES.**

***DO NOT EMBARRASS YOUR CHILD BY YELLING AT PLAYERS, COACHES OR OFFICIALS. BY SHOWING A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE GAME AND ALL OF ITS PARTICIPANTS, YOUR CHILD WILL BENEFIT.**

***EMPHASIZE SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND PRACTICES AND HOW THEY BENEFIT YOUR YOUNG ATHLETE. DO NOT OVEREMPHASIZE GAMES AND COMPETITION IN LOWER AGE GROUPS.**

***KNOW AND STUDY THE RULES OF THE GAME, AND SUPPORT THE OFFICIALS ON AND OFF THE ICE. THIS APPROACH WILL HELP IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE GAME. ANY CRITICISM OF THE OFFICIALS ONLY HURTS THE GAME.**

***APPLAUD A GOOD EFFORT IN BOTH VICTORY AND DEFEAT AND ENFORCE THE POSITIVE POINTS OF THE GAME. NEVER BERATE OR PHYSICALLY ABUSE YOUR CHILD AFTER A GAME OR PRACTICE- IT IS DETRIMENTAL. WORK TOWARD REMOVING THE PHYSICAL AND VERBAL ABUSE IN YOUTH SPORTS**

***DISPLAY GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP. ALWAYS RESPECT PLAYERS, COACHES AND OFFICIALS**

***ACT APPROPRIATELY: DO NOT TAUNT OR DISTURB OTHER FANS: ENJOY THE SAME GAME TOGETHER**

***CHEER GOOD PLAYS OF ALL PARTICIPANTS: AVOID BOOING OPPONENTS**

***CHEER IN A POSITIVE MANNER AND ENCOURAGE FAIR PLAY; PROFANITY AND OBJECTIONABLE CHEERS OR GESTURES ARE OFFENSIVE.**

***DO NOT LEAN OVER OR POUND ON THE GLASS; THE GLASS SURROUNDING THE ICE SURFACE IS PART OF THE PLAYING AREA**

***SUPPORT THE REFEREES AND COACHES BY TRUSTING THEIR JUDGEMENT AND INTEGRITY**

***RESPECT LOCKER ROOMS AS PRIVATE AREAS FOR PLAYERS, COACHES AND OFFICIALS**

PARENTS/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT (continued)

***BE SUPPORTIVE AFTER THE GAME-WIN OR LOSE-. RECONGNIZE GOOD EFFORT, TEAMWORK AND SPORTSMANSHIP.**

***RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF VOLUNTEER COACHES. THEY ARE IMPORTANT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR CHILD AND THE SPORT. COMMUNICATE WITH THEM AND SUPPORT THEM.**

THESE GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN ADOPTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH USA HOCKEY

MY SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THAT I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THIS CODE OF CONDUCT. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY FAILURE TO DO SO WILL SUBJECT ME TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE RINK MANAGEMENT OR COACHING STAFF, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO EJECTION FROM THE FACILITY AND OR SUSPENSION FROM FUTURE GAMES EITHER HOME OR AWAY.

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